STATEMENT-II

Sector-wise agreed Outlays—Arunachal Pradesh

(Rs. in Lakh)

Major Heads of Development	Annual Plan (1998-99)	Annual Plan (1999-2000)
1. Agriculture & Allied Activities	4611	5377
2. Rural Development	2924	2437
3. Special Area Programme	400	1300
4. Irrigation & Flood Control	2771	2763
5. Energy	7499	7423
6. Industry & Minerals	868	633
7. Transport	13545	12239
8. Science & Technology & Environment	26	29
9. General Economic Services	1493	1754
10. Social Services	16175	15605
11. General Services	2188	1290
TOTAL :	62500	68500

Indian Plutonium in Pak Nuclear Test

†*399. SHRI RAMA SHANKER KAUSHIK : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-items published in the "Hindustan" dated 10th March, 2000 under caption "Pak Parmanu parikshan main Bhartiya Plutonium Kaise Paya Gaya";

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether Government have conducted any investigation into the matter; and

(d) if so, the details of the investigation report and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The news report is totally incorrect. Nuclear

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

material accounting is strictly enforced at all Department of Atomic Energy nuclear facilities, thus theft of plutonium from the Indian nuclear facilities is completely ruled out.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.

Drought affected areas **in States**

*400. SHRI ANANTA SETHI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the areas affected by drought in some States;

(b) if so, the details of the drought affected areas. State-wise;

(c) the Central assistance extended to the drought affected States to combat the drought problem; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On the basis of available information, details indicating the number of districts affected by drought in various States are given in the enclosed Statement-I *(see* below).

(c) and (d) Details indicating the assistance provided to the drought affected States during 1999-2000 under National Fund for Calamity Relief (NFCR) are enclosed as statement, *{see* below). This is in addition to the normal allocation of Calamity Relief Fund (CRF).

STATEMENT-I

State-wise details of number of districts affected by drought during, 1999-2000

S.No.	State	Number of Districts affected
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	22
2.	Gujarat	17
3.	Himachal Pradesh	12
4.	Jammu & Kashmir	06
5.	Karnataka	18
6.	Madhya Pradesh	04